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Application Filing Date (1):19971105Brief Summary Text (10):

In addition, since individual buyers and sellers are typically unknown to each other, and lack the reputation of an institutional buyer or seller, both parties are typically unwilling to perform until the other has done so. While the seller is typically unwilling to deliver the item until the buyer has paid in full, the buyer is likewise unwilling to pay for the item until the item has been delivered and inspected. Each party recognizes that their leverage, or source of recourse, is lost once they have performed. Although an escrow agent or other third party can be effectively utilized to reduce such post-transaction performance issues, the escrow agent does not (i) guarantee the authenticity of the buyer's offer; or (ii) reduce the cost of negotiating and consummating a transaction among individual buyers and sellers.

Detailed Description Text (36):

As previously indicated, the central controller 200 preferably executes an authentication monitoring process 1100, shown in FIG. 11, on a periodic basis to monitor the authentication performed by the dealer/authenticator 150 and determine whether the dealer/authenticator 150 validates the item provided by an accepting seller. The authentication monitoring process 1100 initially notifies the authenticator 150 during step 1105 that one or more accepting seller(s) in a hierarchy are shipping goods for a specific CPO. Thereafter, a test is performed during step 1110 to determine if the dealer/authenticator 150 has validated the item. If it is determined during step 1110 that the dealer/authenticator 150 has not validated the item, then an "item not valid" response is received from the dealer/authenticator 150 during step 1115. A fine can then be charged to the seller's credit card during step 1120. The buyer is notified that the item was not authentic, the buyer's credit card account is credited with the CPO price and the offer database is updated during step 1125, before program control terminates during step 1130. In an alternate embodiment (not shown), the dealer/authenticator 150 or the collectible CPO management system 100 can attempt to complete a transaction between the buyer and seller for the sub-grade goods, at a reduced price.

Detailed Description Text (37):

If it is determined during step 1110 that the dealer/authenticator 150 has validated the item of a seller in the hierarchy, then an "item valid" response is received by the collectible CPO management system 100 from the dealer/authenticator 150 during step 1145. The central controller 200 then instructs the dealer/authenticator 150 to return any items of any other sellers which may be in the possession of the dealer/authenticator 150 during step 1150. The buyer is then instructed to pick up the item from the 150 or the dealer/authenticator 150 is

instructed to deliver the item to the buyer during step 155. The seller's credit card is then credited with the CPO price, less authentication and other administrative fees, and the offer database 700 is updated during step 1160 to record the final seller and final item number sold to the buyer, before program control terminates during step 1165.

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ABSTRACT:

A collectible conditional purchase offer (CPO) management system is disclosed for receiving and processing individual CPOs from buyers for one or more collectibles, such as coins, stamps, art prints, comic books, baseball cards, jewelry, or other used or secondary market goods. The collectible CPO management system processes each received CPO to determine whether one or more sellers are willing to accept a given collectible CPO. If a seller accepts a given CPO, and ultimately delivers goods complying with the buyer's CPO, the buyer is bound on behalf of the accepting seller, to form a legally binding contract. The CPO is guaranteed, for example, by a general-purpose account, such as a credit or debit account. Once a CPO is accepted by a seller, but before completing the transaction, the goods are preferably forwarded to a dealer/authenticator for evaluation. The dealer/authenticator preferably validates, authenticates and optionally guarantees the goods, while also serving as the distribution point for the collectibles sold by the collectible CPO management system. In order to ensure that at least one of the accepting sellers will have the collectible item in the condition specified by the buyer, a number of sellers may conditionally accept each CPO. Each of the accepting seller(s) are preferably prioritized into a hierarchy based on predetermined criteria.

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